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Re:

Patent Term Extension Application for U.S. Patent No. 4,254,129 #23

Dear Mr. Wille.:

A certificate under 35 U.S.C. § 156 is enclosed extending the term of U.S. Patent No. 4,254,129 for a period of 679 days.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703)306-3159.

Karin Tyson

Legal Advisor

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cc:

Ronald L. Wilson, Director Health Assessment Policy Staff Office of Health Affairs (HFY-20) Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 15-22 Rockville, MD 20857 RE: ALLEGRA™

FDA Docket No.: 96E-0386

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This determination of the regulatory review period by FDA does not take into account the effective date of the patent, nor does it exclude one-half of the testing phase as required by 35 U.S.C. § 156(c)(2).

Please let me know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Stuart L. Nightingale, M.D. **Associate Commissioner** 

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# CERTIFICATE EXTENDING PATENT TERM UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 156

PATENT NO.

4,254,129

**ISSUED** 

March 3, 1981

INVENTOR(S)

Albert A. Carr et al.

PATENT OWNER :

Merrell Pharmaceuticals

This is to certify that there has been presented to the

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an application under 35 U.S.C. § 156 for an extension of the patent term. Since it appears that the requirements of the law have been met, this certificate extends the term of the patent for the period of

679 days

from April 10, 1999, the original expiration date of the patent, with all rights pertaining thereto as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 156(b).



I have caused the seal of the Patent and Trademark Office to be affixed this 15th day of July 1998.

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Bruce A. Lehman

Assistant Secretary of Commerce and

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks